



February 26, 2024

Chair L. Louise Lucas  
Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee  
Senate Room A, General Assembly Building  
201 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Chair Lucas and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee Members,

On behalf of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce, I wish to express our support for HB1216, on the Committee's docket tomorrow morning.

This bill, creating an Employee Child Care Assistance Program & Fund, is smart public policy to incentivize employers to contribute to child care costs for their employees. This bill would be greatly beneficial to our workforce and our businesses across the Commonwealth.

We urge you all to please support this bill in Committee tomorrow.

Best Regards,

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